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In re Application of: G. Guyan et al.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
UNDER RULE 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed May 18, 2004.

Applicant requests favorable consideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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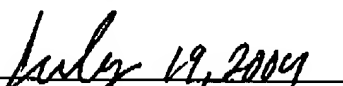
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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